



St. Dominic St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church



Our Lady of Snows Shrine

November 4, 2018

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SACRAMENTS

WEEKEND MASSES

5:30 pm Sat. Vigil @ St. Dominic
8:00 am Sun. @ St. Francis Xavier
10:30 am Sunday @ St. Dominic

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Wed. 8am @ St. Dominic
Thu. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Fri. 8am @ St. Dominic
No Mass Mon. or Sat.. Morning

RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes prior to
5:30 pm and 8:00 am Mass
Anytime by appointment

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish 9 months prior to
preferred wedding date

BAPTISM

Contact the office after
birth of the child

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Gospel love is not about feelings. It's about choosing to care regardless of how we feel. It's about making decisions based upon the vision of Jesus regardless of how many other visions are demanding our allegiance. If we wait until we feel like loving, well, we may in fact never get around to loving. Gospel love is about the will without paying any attention at all to the emotions.

In *The Road Less Traveled*, M. Scott Peck distinguishes between infatuation and love. Infatuation, he says, is when we allow all the walls that we have put up in order to protect ourselves to collapse and thus permit another to enter into the most sacred and vulnerable portions of our lives. We think that in such a way we are becoming one with another because there are no more walls to divide us, except that before long our walls begin to go back up one by one.

On the other hand, notes Peck, real love is not about collapsing our walls but about expanding them in never-ending fashion, thereby choosing to allow more and more people into the deepest portions of our lives. Real love is the choices we make and not feelings we experience. Once we begin to choose to live in such a fashion, says Jesus, we are not far from the kingdom of God.

Living God's Word~

Loving one's neighbor as oneself stands the common wisdom of "charity begins at home" on its head. Yet Jesus' commandments are not new. It makes one wonder how the common wisdom got to be so common.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

October 28, 2018

St. Dominic:

Envelopes* \$ 1,617.88
Plate \$ 200.75
Total: \$ 1,818.63

Week of **Oct. 21** \$ 2,534.07
Week of **Oct. 14** \$ 3,25.37

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$2,719.11

St. Francis Xavier:

Envelopes* \$ 1,065.00
Plate \$ 109.00
Total: \$ 1,174.00

Week of **Oct. 21** \$ 1,391.25
Week of **Oct. 14** \$ 1,583.00

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$1,971.04

**Thank you for your
continued generosity**

Eucharistic Ministers for the weekend of Nov. 10-11th
Homebound: Annette Schreiber
Nursing Homes: Wayne Leiker

**Ministry Schedule for the
The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Dominic Nov. 10th~ 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier Nov. 11th~ 8:00 am	St. Dominic Nov. 11th~ 10:30 am
COMMUNION Gregg Watkins Theresa Watkins Larry Tanking Alberta Tanking D'Ann Decker	COMMUNION Larry Larkin Merlin Nelson Mike McClaskey Ed Hrenchir Mike Henry	COMMUNION Dan Niehues Stacey Niehues Susan Schirmer Keri Bausch Michele Haverkamp
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MUSIC Cathleen Reed Mark & Vickie Pruett	MUSIC Joan Hood Thomas Broxterman	MUSIC Charlene Herbers Connie Schlaegle
GREETERS / USHERS Rick Heinen Katie Heinen Rick Heinen Larry Tanking	GREETERS / USHERS John Ehrhart Farrell Holthaus Ed Hrenchir Larry Larkin	GREETERS / USHERS Olivia McAsey Jackie McAsey Ralph Herbers Chuck Schlaegle

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, November 3rd~
 St. D 5:30 PM For All Parishioners
 SUNDAY, November 4th~
 St. D 8:00 AM K of C Memorial Mass
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. F 10:30 AM Gerald Seematter (D)
 TUESDAY, November 6th~
 St. F 8:00 AM NO MASS
 WEDNESDAY, November 7th~
 St. D 8:00 AM NO MASS
 THURSDAY, November 8th
 St. F 8:00 AM NO MASS
 FRIDAY, November 9th~
 St. D 8:00 AM NO MASS

The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, November 10th~
 St. D. 5:30 PM Jason Yonke (D)
 SUNDAY, November 11th~
 St. F 8:00 AM For All Parishioners
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 1:00 AM Leo Ehrhart (D)

CHURCH CLEANERS:

Nov. 5-11 Utz Family, Carolyn Kennedy
 Nov. 12-18 Milt & Lila Krainbill
 Nov. 19-25 Linda Crabill, Shelia Springer
 Nov. 26-Dec. 2 Robin Sides
 Dec. 3-9 Kara Hoffman

Please contact the office ahead of time and let us know when you are planning on cleaning so that the church will be unlocked and the lights can be turned on for you.

Thank you for your service to your parish. You can still volunteer by calling the office at 364-3262

Jackson County Pastoral Council

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St. Francis Xavier Finance Council

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 Chris Everts
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 Kay Andler
 Damon Putnam

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ST. DOMINIC:

- ReEd Classes PreK-8th Wednesday, November 7th, 6:30-7:45 pm~ Boxes of Joy due
- ReEd Classes PreK-8th, Nov. 14th, 6:30-7:45 pm

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER:

- ReEd Classes PreK-8th , Sunday, Nov. 11th, 9-10:15 am
- ReEd Classes PreK-8th, Sunday, Nov. 18th , 9-10:15 am

Congratulations to the Confirmation Candidates from our parishes and Our Lady of the Snows Shrine who were Confirmed at St. Dominic on October 21, 2018

Karlie Albright Dalton Ashcraft
 Andrew Berns Maxine Bertulfo
 Noah Blanchard Staci Bond
 Macey Gross Cayden Jackson
 Justin Jordan Katerina Jordan
 Richard Leiker Cecilia Myers
 Austin Schlink Kendon Wege
 Jake Zeller

Please continue to pray for these young people as they continue to grow in their Faith.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the St. Dominic Fall Fest. Special thanks to those who contributed their time to work at the Fest. Thanks to those who contributed the auction and raffle items. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for cooking the chicken.

BOX OF JOY

DROP-OFF CENTER SCHEDULE
 ST. DOMINIC HALL

Boxes Of Joy may be brought to St. Dominic Hall according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, November 6 – By Appointment*
 Wednesday, Nov. 7 – 4:00-8:00 p.m.
 Thursday, Nov. 8 – By Appointment*
 Friday, Nov. 9 – 1:00-6:00 p.m.
 Saturday, Nov 10 – Noon-4:00 p.m.
 Sunday, November 11 – 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

***For Appointment call 210-621-3796**

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Tuesday, November 6th, 6:30-8:00 pm at St. Dominic Church Offices. Topic: the Church: One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic. Everyone is welcome!

St. Dominic Knights of Columbus Scholarships Available

St. Dominic college students who have completed at least one year of college are eligible to receive this scholarship of approximately \$600.00 depending on the number of applicants. Contact Mike Meerpohl at 785-305-1700 for applications or more information. **Application deadline is December 1, 2018**

Saints Guessing Jar Winners:

Elijah Poe, Mary Hammerschmidt (2), Olivia McAsey, Mary Harris, Linda Arnold (4), Keri Hutton, Joyce Immenschuh, Keri Bausch

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Kent Askren (nephew of Cletemae Brown); Carol Barton (Friend of Dean & Ramona Robinson); Sonya Bergman; George Bolz; Angela Brewer; Estelle Danner; Dick DeVader (Brother of Ramona Robinson); Francis DeVader; Sharon DeVader; Steve Devlin; Sheila Fernkopf; Brad Fiedler; Dennis Fiedler; Sam Gerry; Brad Gould; Carly Grant (great granddaughter of Joan Hood); Mary Ann Grollmes (mother of Vic Grollmes); Jenny Harigan; Jared Harris (grandson of Mary Harris); Mary Harris; Pat Hasenkamp; Jerry Huftles (father of Jackie McAsey); Frank Hulsing (Father of Shannon Henry); Charles Kennedy; Adrian Koch; Rheva Korte; Shari Lott (sister-in-law of Russell Schuetz); Rita Martin; Mike McClaskey; Mary Morford; Don Morris; Lynne Mulroy; Luisa Munoz (sister of Anna Alvarez); Erin Norwood and daughter Bailey (Larkin Family Members); Kristina Oates (granddaughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Calvin Page; Carolyn Reicherter; Cameron Renfro; Amy Reese (daughter of John & Susan Stallbaumer); Mary Riniker (Sister of Regina Butts); Ronna Rowe (Family Member of Hilda Hrenchir); Shelly Russell (daughter of Karen McClaskey); Peggy Sanderson (friend of Mary Morford); Lonnie & Helen Sands (brother and sister-in-law of Joan Hood); Brad Schiefelbein (son of Gene Schiefelbein); Chris Schiefelbein (brother of Gene Schiefelbein); Laura (daughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Emma Schirmer; Easton Shelton (son of Eric and Stephanie Shelton); Special Intentions of Sheila Springer; William Steinlage; Nancy Versch Stereit; Evelyn Sullivan; Janie Teetzel; Melinda Wareham; James Wecker

We pray for those among us who are ill, their families and for their care-giver, those experiencing a hardship or difficulty; and for those in the Armed Forces protecting our freedom.

To place someone's name on the prayer list or to remove a name, please call the Parish Office (364-3262)

Scripture Insights

“Love God and love your neighbor” captures the essence of Jesus’ message. Today’s First Reading contains a passage known as the Shema Israel (“Hear, O Israel, “ Deuteronomy 6:4), the central statement of belief of the Jewish people. A high point in the synagogue service still today is the recitation of these words. There is only one God, and God alone is Israel’s God. This belief calls forth a total dedication to God with “your heart, your soul, and your strength”—God must be loved with our entire being.

A scribe (someone well trained in interpreting the Jewish Law) comes to Jesus in today’s Gospel with a question: “Which is the first of all the commandments?” This was a much discussed question in Israel at the time with two main schools of thought: Rabbi Shammai was very strict, while Rabbi Hille was more pastoral and taught that the whole law is summed up in the words “What you hate for yourself, do not do to your neighbor.”

Against this background the scribe wishes to see where Jesus stands. Jesus quotes the words of the Shema Israel, but goes even further by adding a second part: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (from Leviticus 19:19). By bringing together these two commandments, Jesus makes an important point. While he upholds the Old Testament, he also offers a clear way of interpreting the numerous laws—through the lens of love: love God and love your neighbor as yourself.

Jesus offers us today a path to follow in life: love of God and love of neighbor should direct every action. When faced with decisions in life, our first question must always be: How does the law of love of God and neighbor influence this situation?

- Looking carefully at the First Reading and Gospel, find specific words that reveal the bonds of affection between God and humanity rather than simply dutiful or even fearful obedience from the people.
- What helpful insights about the love of God does today’s Responsorial Psalm offer you?
- How do you live the commandment of love in your private life and in your public life?



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You shall love the LORD,
your God,
with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your strength.
— Deuteronomy 6:5

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just two years ago, we engaged in one of the core activities of our democratic system: a presidential election. Actually, the institution of election can be traced to traditions in the Church, and although bishops are no longer chosen in this way, abbots and abbesses (heads of monastic communities) have almost always been elected by full voting members of their communities. The lifetime appointment begins when the monks or nuns are gathered in “chapter” at the death or resignation of the abbot, and fortunately for all involved, campaigning is not allowed! The members of the community discern, with prayer to the Holy Spirit, who among them is the best suited for leadership. Once chosen, the new leader requests the blessing of the local bishop, who usually presides at a ceremony of consecration or investiture. The ballots are always secret, and a simple majority must be achieved.

In our American system the Electoral College is the determining voice in the presidential election, not the popular election on a November Tuesday, just as the monastic chapter is the electorate. Today, most religious orders elect general superiors in “chapter” by delegates of the professed members, and usually for a term of six years. A few, like the Jesuits, elect for life. At least we don’t have that weight on our shoulders when we choose a president. Four years at a time will do!

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Two criminals were crucified with Christ. One was saved; do not despair. One was not; do not presume.

—St. Augustine

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Nov. 6th		Wednesday, Nov. 7th		Thursday, Nov. 8th		Friday, Nov. 9th	
St. Dominic	Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00pm RCIA 6:30pm Catholic Charities Bus 9:30-2:30 Hall	NO MASS RelEd Classes PreK-8th, 6:30-7:45pm			NO MASS Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm	NO MASS	
St. Francis Xavier	NO MASS						
Saturday, Nov. 10th		Sunday, Nov. 11th		Monday, Nov. 12th		Tuesday, Nov. 13th	
St. Dominic	5:30 pm Vigil Mass	10:30 am Mass		Altar Society Meeting~ 6:00 pm		Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00 pm RCIA 6:30 pm	
St. Francis Xavier		8:00 am Mass Confirmation Class Breakfast RelEd Classes PreK-8th 9:00am OLS 1:00 pm Mass				8:00 am Mass	
Wednesday, Nov. 14th		Thursday, Nov. 15th		Friday, Nov. 16th		Saturday, Nov. 17th	
St. Dominic	8:00 am Mass RelEd Classes PreK-8th 6:30 pm			8:00 am Mass		5:30 pm Vigil Mass	
St. Francis Xavier		8:00 am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm					

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